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Prioritization Discussion (Plenary)

- A market-based focus will help select priorities.
- Financing/Insurance Education is an important priority.
- Codes and Standards should be a "core" activity: not open for bid.
- Further leverage Department of Energy programs, such as Rebuild America. Work with the Environmental Protection Agency.
- Nation-wide adoption of net metering and codes is an important priority.
- The Department of Energy should gather the best practices in the U.S. (PV ratings systems (systems vs. component levels), codes, incentives, education and communication, etc.) and serve as a clearinghouse.
- Use the already-created Infrastructure Development priorities as a checklist for the possible "Solar America City" program and make sure cost effectiveness is targeted.
- Develop a "Distributed Generation Ratings Body"
 - o Save costs.
 - o Maximize effects.
 - o EnergyStar homes might be a model for a systems-level rating.